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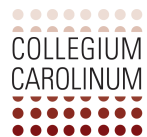
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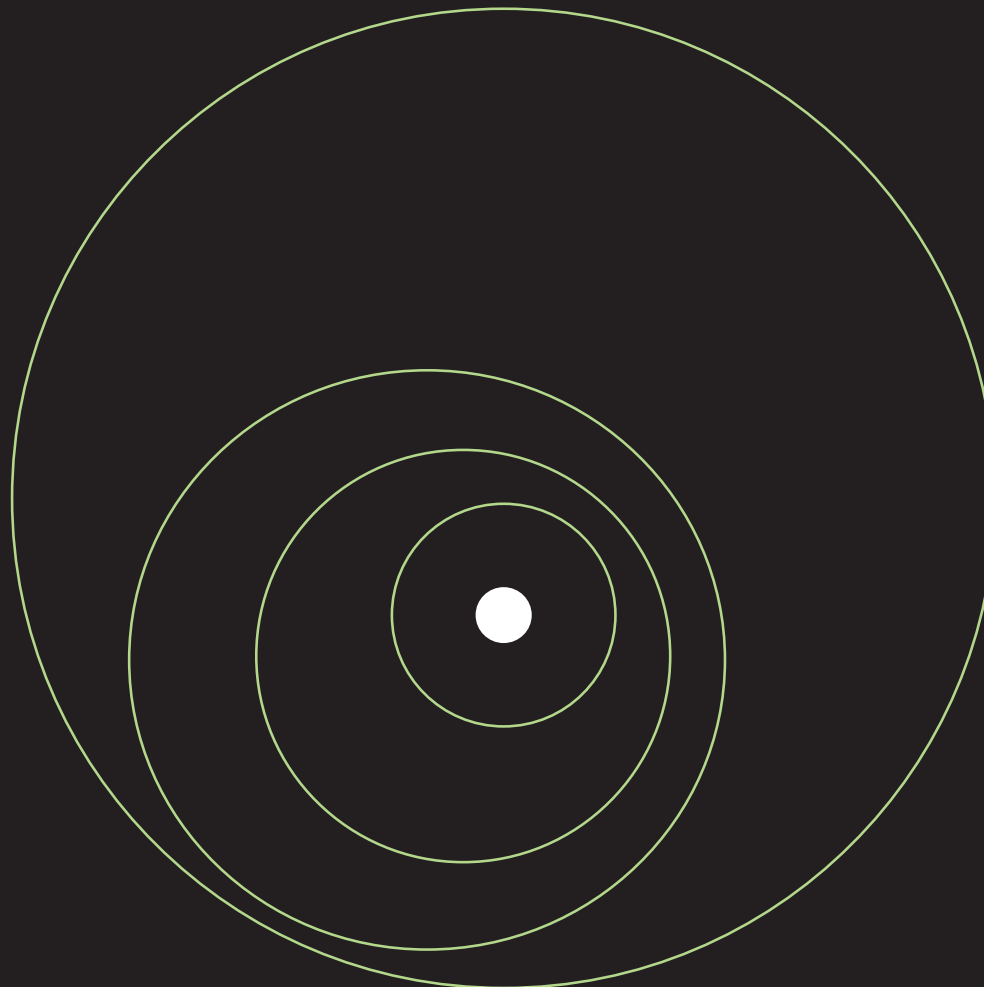
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Conference

# Voices of Freedom – Western Interference?

60 Years  
of Radio  
Free Europe  
in Munich  
and Prague

April 28–30, 2011  
Program

**Thursday, April 28, 2011**

Senatssaal der LMU, Geschwister-Scholl-Platz 1, 80539 München

**9.00 – 9.30**

*Conference Opening: Bavarian Government Official, Rudolf Jindrák (Czech Ambassador to Germany), Martin Schulze Wessel (Collegium Carolinum/LMU Munich), Zuzana Jürgens (Czech Center Munich), Daniel Herman (The Institute for the Study of Totalitarian Regimes, Prague)*

### **Panel 1: International Broadcasting as Cold War Instrument**

**9.30 – 11.15**

*Igor Lukeš (Boston University/USA):  
Block Formation and Exile in the Early Cold War*

*Alexander Badenoch (Utrecht University/Netherlands):  
Iron(ic) Curtains: Technology, Territory, and the New Role of Broadcasting in Post-War Europe*

**11.15 – 11.45**

*Coffee break*

**11.45 – 13.00**

*Christian Henrich-Franke (Siegen University/Germany):  
Within a Juridical Loophole: Radio Free Europe and the International Legality of Broadcasts across the Iron Curtain*

*Ioana Macrea-Toma (Center for Advanced Studies, Sofia/Bulgaria):  
Communicating across the Iron Curtain. RFE as a Case of (Non)-Interactions and (Mis)Perceptions*

**13.00 – 14.30**

*Lunch break*

### **Panel 2: The Foundation of RFE and its Activities in the US-American and (West) German Context**

**14.30 – 15.45**

*Simo Mikkonen (Jyväskylä University/Finland):  
The Freedom Radios in the U.S. Cold War Strategy: A Discussion of the Establishment, Projects, and Aims of Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty*

*A. Ross Johnson (Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Washington, and Hoover Institution, Stanford University/USA):  
Radio Free Europe – an American Station in the FRG*

**15.45 – 16.15**

*Coffee break*

**16.15 – 17.30**

*Richard H. Cummings (Düsseldorf/Germany):  
The Tangled Web: The Central Intelligence Agency, the Crusade for Freedom, and Radio Free Europe*

**17.30 – 18.30**

### **Round table discussion with witnesses**

*“RFE from the perspective of its staff members”, chaired by: Zuzana Jürgens (Czech Center Munich).*

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### **Panel 3: Program Content and Journalistic Practice at RFE**

**9.00 – 10.00**

*Susan Haas (Annenberg School for Communication, University of Pennsylvania/USA):*

*Radio Free Europe’s Central News Room: A Foundational Description and Analysis*

*Anna Bischof (LMU Munich/Germany):  
Research, Program Formats, and RFE Management Guidelines.  
A Look at the Czechoslovak Service*

**10.00 – 10.30**

*Coffee break*

**10.30 – 11.30**

*Petru Weber (Szeged University/Hungary):  
The Role of Radio Free Europe’s Romanian and Hungarian Language Programs in Raising Public Awareness about Ceausescu’s National Policy towards Ethnic Minorities*

*Anamaria Neag (Lund University/Sweden):  
Radio Free Europe and the Fall of Communism in Romania: The Presentation of the Events of December 1989 in Romanian RFE Broadcasts*

**11.30 – 12.45**

### **Round table discussion with witnesses**

*“External perceptions of RFE”, chaired by: Petr Brod (Journalist, Prague).*

**12.45 – 14.45**

*Lunch break*

### **Panel 4: Reception and Reactions in East Central Europe**

**14.45 – 16.00**

*Jane L. Curry (Santa Clara University, California/USA):  
The Impact of Radio Free Europe on the Polish Communist Elites*

*Rüdiger Ritter (Forschungsstelle Osteuropa, Bremen University/Germany):  
The Unknown Listener: The Reception of Radio Free Europe and Voice of America in Poland and Czechoslovakia*

**16.00 – 16.30**

*Coffee break*

**16.30 – 18.00**

*Melissa Feinberg (Rutgers University, New Brunswick/USA):  
Radio Free Europe and the Response to the Slánský Trial in Czechoslovakia*

*Prokop Tomek (Military History Institute, Prague/Czech Republic):  
Attempts by the Czechoslovak Communist Regime to Hinder RFE Broadcasting*

*Milan Bárta (The Institute for the Study of Totalitarian Regimes, Prague/Czech Republic):*

*The Temporary Cessation of Interference to the Reception of Radio Free Europe in Czechoslovakia in 1968*

**20.00**

### **Panel discussion at the Amerika Haus**

Amerika Haus, Karolinenplatz 3, 80333 München

*“Voices of Freedom? – International Broadcasting Today”, with the President of the Republic of Estonia Toomas Hendrik Ilves, the U.S. Consul General in Munich Conrad R. Tribble, Prof. Dr. Hans J. Kleinsteuber (University of Hamburg), Abbas Djavadi (RFE/RL), and Ingo Mannteufel (Deutsche Welle). Chaired by Petr Dudek (Český rozhlas).*

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### **Panel 5: The Free Europe Committee: Activities Beyond Broadcasting**

**10.00 – 11.15**

*Yuliya Komska (Dartmouth College/USA):  
“Listen and You’ll Get the Picture”: Radio Free Europe on Screen*

*Alfred Reisch (Hungarian Atlantic Council/Hungary):  
The Free Europe Committee’s Secret Book Distribution Program behind the Iron Curtain*

**11.15 – 11.45**

*Coffee break*

**11.45 – 12.45**

### **Concluding remarks and discussion**

**18.00**

### **Film screening at Neues Arena Kino**

Neues Arena Kino, Hans-Sachs-Straße 7, 80469 München

*Cold Waves (Alexandru Solomon / Romania 2008, 108 min.)  
English subtitles, entry fee 6.50 EUR*